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Welcome to

The Lyme Regis Experience

With the summer within touching distance, our June edition of the Lyme Regis Experience magazine will guide you through the best the town has to offer over the next few months.

We've got a plethora of attractions and events covered, including Lifeboat Week, the Regatta and Carnival festivities and the Food Rocks Festival.

For music fans, we delve into the details of the world famous Guitars on the Beach, as well as taking a look ahead to both the Big Mix and Ukulele Festivals.

We expose some of Lyme's hidden treasures, and feature some of the best places to dine out.

With the promise of some long sunny days just around the corner, we hope *The Lyme Regis Experience* will act as a definitive guide to your summer.

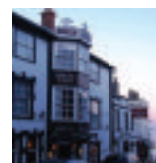
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Now in its fifth year, Food Rocks continues to celebrate the best of Dorset's food and drink. Binging together the best producers from Lyme Regis and the surrounding area, the family, with free entry for all, taking place on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th August.

Food Rocks has always been run in support of charities close to Mark Hix's heart and this year is no different, with all funds raised being donated to the Lyme Regis RNLI, Fishermen's Mission and Blue Marine Foundation. This year the event will also be donating funds to Lyme Regis Sculpture Trail. Following a successful charity dinner earlier this year at HIX Oyster and Fish House, and a well-known art lover himself, Hix continues to support the display of sculptures in Langmoor Gardens.

Expect plenty of interactive chef demonstrations every hour throughout the day from top chefs, food writers and restaurateurs including Angela Hartnett, Valentine Warner, Russell Norman, Gill Mellor and Richard Bertinet.

Each chef will demonstrate their signature dishes, inviting members of the audience to join them on stage to get involved and judge their final dishes. In addition to chef demonstrations, our exhibitors and suppliers will also be hosting talks and tastings across the weekend for the audience to enjoy. With over 40 food and drink exhibitors taking part in the festival, there is plenty of time to talk to local producers, sample new products and purchase your favourites to take home or enjoy on the day. Other activities will include a cookbook swap, so come prepared with your cookbooks or buy from Mark's second-hand collection with all the money going straight to charity.

The annual Crab and Mackerel supper club, hosted by Mark Hix, is the perfect way to spend the Saturday night. Held in the main tent, guests can feast on these two stunning local ingredients as part of a 4 course meal whilst watching further demonstrations of how to crack and pick a crab. Tickets are priced at £45 and available online at www.hixrestaurants.co.uk



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ROYAL AIR FORCE RED ARROWS

THE long association between Lyme Regis and the Red Arrows will continue when the RAF's crack aerobatic team perform their breath-taking manoeuvres over Lyme Bay in August.

The Red Arrows first came to Lyme Regis in the early 1970s as part of the Regatta & Carnival week events and have been a permanent fixture ever since, attracting hundreds of thousands of visitors to the resort over the years.

Apart from that first visit, the Red Arrows had always performed during the town's annual Lifeboat Week, one of the biggest events of its kind on the south coast, helping to raise thousands of pounds for the RNLI.

That arrangement ceased last year when new rules resulted in having to pay a fee for the Red Arrows' displays.

The organisers of Lifeboat Week were unable to commit their charitable funds to the necessary amount, around £12,000, and it looked as though the long association with the Arrows would come to an end.

But with full backing from Lyme Regis Town Council, a fundraising campaign was launched by the *View from Lyme Regis* newspaper to ensure the relationship continued.

The money was raised through generous sponsorship from a local company and the formation of a Red Arrows 100 Club in which

members were asked to contribute £100.

The town council agreed to underwrite the fee but in the end this was not necessary as the full amount was raised.

The Red Arrows duly performed late in July in the week between Lifeboat Week and the Regatta & Carnival. On the suggestion of the Mayor, Cllr Owen Lovell, this was designated as Lyme Communities Week and local organisations were invited to run fundraising events on the seafront on condition that they provided collectors for the Red Arrows' display.

More than £6,000 was collected on the day, 50 per cent of which was shared by the organisations and 50 per cent going towards the cost of the Arrows returning in 2017.

The day of the Red Arrows was designated as Lyme's Red Letter Day with a programme of events being organised by the *View from Lyme Regis* with help from Cllr Cheryl Turner, chairman of the tourism committee, and freelance journalist Geoff Baker.

An application for the Arrows to appear in Lyme again was requested for Thursday, August 3rd, which falls between the lifeboat and regatta weeks. However, the Arrows were unable to perform on this date but agreed to come on Thursday, August 10th at 6.15pm at 6.15 pm, providing the Regatta & Carnival with an unexpected boost.

Carnival chairman Andy Brown said: "We are de-

lighted that, once again, the iconic Red Arrows RAF display team is coming to Lyme Regis.

"We will be pleased to alter our planned programme during Regatta and Carnival Week to enable all the arrangements to be made for the display.

"We will be available to work with the organisers and Lyme Regis Town Council to ensure that residents, holidaymakers and visitors will all enjoy the event.

"It promises to be another great day in Lyme Regis."

Mr Brown also confirmed that Red Arrows day would finish with a spectacular fireworks display.

There will be no Red Letter Day this year so as not to clash with events planned by the regatta and carnival.

The week of July 31st to August 5th has now been designated as the 2017 Communities Week, and local organisations will be asked to apply for fundraising slots on the Marine Parade on the understanding they will provide collectors for the display on August 10th.

Membership of the Red Arrows 100 Club is still available. Those interested in signing up should contact Philip Evans on 07796 951991 or 01297 446155.

Red Arrows Day in Lyme Regis is considered to be the town's busiest summer attraction, bringing thousands of people into the town and boosting the local economy.



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David Manners Art

It's now just five years since David Manners picked up a paint brush for the first time since childhood and he's not looking back!

The Lyme Regis born former mathematics teacher was unaware of his skills until, following a long illness, it was suggested to him by mental health specialists, to take up painting.

In those five years and over 180 paintings later, David has a gallery in Wilmington, North Carolina, another in Durango in Mexico, and has sold his paintings all over the world; the most recent to a collector in Florence.

"I've painted all sorts of subjects, but I have to say that portraiture and the human form are my favourites.

"I've been very lucky to have had some wonderful commissions in recent months, including Bake Off's Nadiya Hussain, Enya, Michelle Ackerley (The One Show), and even Barack and Michelle Obama following a "cheeky" request which the White House embraced wholeheartedly.

"My most recent project is a forthcoming portrait of Alex Polizzi (The Hotel Inspector) who, with her staff, has been a fantastic supporter."

In addition there are some exciting commissions in the pipeline from Florida, Chicago, Des Moines and Malmö in Sweden.

His style has been compared to that of Jack Vettriano and Edward Hopper; two artists of which he is proud to be likened.

Having exhibited in the UK, Europe and the Americas, he undertakes affordable commissioned paintings of all subjects, offering a high quality framing service to suit the needs of the client and their home.

In addition to his original paintings, David produces affordable limited edition prints and greetings cards of many of his popular works which are all available for purchase from his website: www.davidmannersart.co.uk, or from his Facebook page: @davidmannersart.

David accepts commissions of all subjects from £295 including framing and courier delivery to anywhere in the world. A more local opportunity to view his work and meet David is at The Axe Vale Festival on the weekend of June 17th/18th, where he will be selling prints, cards and original oil paintings in the Craft marquee.



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PEBBLES *Boutique*

Following the huge success of their pop-up ladies' fashion boutique last year, Deborah and David have opened another beautiful bespoke boutique in Lyme Regis.

Nestled within a former butchers shop at the top of Broad Street, Pebbles Boutique offers a large range of gorgeous garments and accessories for every budget.

The historic building has received an extensive refurbishment, bringing many of the original features back to their best, enhancing the ambience of the interior and making the perfect backdrop for the carefully selected clothing and apparel.

Keen to ensure you get the very best experience from your visit, the passionate proprietors have created a relaxing changing oasis – complete with ornate chandelier – where you can peruse your potential purchase until you're sure it's the right fit.

Since opening just six weeks ago, the shop has become a popular fixture with both locals and visitors alike, and with art by Anne Townsend adorning the walls, the relaxing and opulent feel is maintained throughout.

Deborah and David at Pebbles are even planning to stock a small range of men's clothing in future and are always happy to act upon requests for any items, which will meet customers needs.



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Lifeboats

Lifeboat Week 2017

Lyme Regis Lifeboat Week will be officially opened by Dorset-based actress, comedian and impressionist Debra Stephenson on Saturday, July 22nd.

As an impressionist, Debra is best known for her co-starring role in BBC One's 'The Impressions Show' with Culshaw and Stephenson.

As an actress Debra, from Poole, played Shell Dockley in 'Bad Girls', the feisty Frankie Baldwin in 'Coronation Street' and Diane Powell in 'Playing the Field'. She also plays major parts in BBC Radio 4's 'Dead Ringers' and ITV's 'Newzoids'.

Debra, who owns a speedboat with her husband James, said they were looking forward to coming to Lyme Regis, and plan to make it a family day out with children Max, 14, and Zoe, 10.

Debra added: "My husband enjoys our boat for fishing, and so far we have not had to call out the RNLI. But it's very comforting to know the volunteer crews are there."

Lyme Regis celebrates the efforts of its brave lifeboat crew every year during Lifeboat Week in July, which raises thousands of pounds for the RNLI. Plans for this year's event, which will run from July 22nd to 29th with this year's star attraction being the Red Devils – the British Army's parachute display team.

A classic Red Devils display will see up to ten team members jumping from an altitude of 10,000ft. Trailing smoke to demonstrate their speed and movement, the highly skilled skydivers will freefall at speeds up to 120mph before opening their parachutes. Then they will demonstrate breathtaking, high-speed 'swoop' landings and spectacular 'canopy formations', both unique to parachute displays in the UK.

Plans for other events during the week are well under way. The fireworks display is scheduled for Friday 28th at 10pm and the popular Three Counties Swing Band will perform the same evening.

A new event will be a water polo match between the RNLI lifeguards and the lifeboat crew on July 25th, and the popular bathtub race is scheduled for July 22nd, for which the all-conquering Dorset Fire and Rescue crew have thrown down the gauntlet to other competitors.

"We aim to break all the records again this year," said skipper Virgil Turner.

Last year the firefighters crew of nine won for the sixth year running using their somewhat unconventional snow shovels as oars.

"There's no rule against the shovels and, in fact, they are very hard work and almost a handicap," said Virgil, who is station commander with the fire and rescue service in Lyme Regis.

"We challenge anyone to beat us this year and once again we will have one or two tricks up our sleeve."

"Apart from just winning we aim to do it in a record time."

A book looking back at the life and times of Lyme Regis lifeboat men and women – and the lifeboats themselves – will be launched on the first day of Lifeboat Week.

Written by the lifeboat station's volunteer press officer, retired newspaper and BBC journalist Richard Horobin, the fully illustrated book is part of the charity's history book project.

It tells how a makeshift lifeboat service started in the town in 1826, and how a Christmas tragedy led

to Lyme Regis getting a 'proper' lifeboat, powered by sails and oars, 27 years later.

With much help from local historians and lifeboat supporters, the author has brought to life a fascinating collection of stories about dedicated volunteers who ran a lifeboat service in the town, despite all the odds, over a period of nearly 160 years.

There is the crew member who was shipwrecked eight times as a mariner and the coxswain who served the lifeboat for 34 years and was famed for his strength, picking up a man with one arm and placing him on a table. He also salvaged a huge barrel of alcohol from a shipwreck and carried it single handed up a cliff!

The story of an MP who vanished without trace over Lyme Bay after being trapped in a hot air balloon makes incredible reading. The dramatic episode when a ship was torpedoed by a German submarine a short distance from Lyme Regis harbour had an amusing twist amid the tragedy and chaos.

And in more recent times the amazing survival of a couple whose helicopter crashed into Lyme Bay in dense fog, and the tragic tale of the severely disabled woman whose wheelchair fell into Lyme Regis harbour and the desperate attempts made to save her.

There are the lighter moments, too, such as the crew Christmas dinner when the annual awards are presented, and the story of Lifeboat Week, from the early 1970s.

The new book will be available from the lifeboat shop on the Cobb and other outlets in the town from July 22nd, priced at £8.95 with all proceeds going to the RNLI.



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There will also be a fully stocked bar and a Pimm's tent to help you get in the summer mood, as well as other attractions during the day.

Events will kick off at the football club's Davey Fort ground in Charmouth Road at 4pm and entertainment throughout the afternoon will include live music from the popular Lyme Luggers ukulele group, followed by local band Delta Tango 7 in the evening.

Entry to the festival is free and money raised on the day will go towards the football club's 'Project Fortify' scheme of improvements, which will include a new kitchen extension to be built this summer, an outdoor seating stand and improvements to the car park.

Organisers are currently looking for local businesses interested in sponsoring a barrel of cider for just £30. Sponsors will have their company name printed in the event programme and on signage on the day – anyone interested should contact Francesca Evans by emailing francesca@viewnews.co.uk or call 07810 221 420.

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One lost item was a map, which highlighted the hidden treasures in Lyme Regis and after more than four centuries the cartographic depiction of the town's best-kept secrets has been mystically rediscovered*. Would you believe it? Not only does it show some of the ancient hidden gems of the town, but also, some of the more up to date places, which are just waiting to be discovered.

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You can also put your birthday plans in place, as the expert staff offers pottery painting or decopatch parties as well as providing kits to takeaway.

Umbrella Cottage

Can you spot the Grade II Listed cottage
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On Porpoise

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The opportunity to see dolphins in their natural habitat is compelling. We humans would give a king's ransom to be able to swim with dolphins; the most popular animals known to man.

It was 1994 when, as a freelance news photographer, I literally came face to face with a trio of dolphins just 300 metres off the seafront at Lyme Regis. I was on my way to Taunton when I took a call from a friend yelling down the phone that there were dolphins in the bay and close to shore. A quick U-turn and straight back to Lyme where I jumped on to Steve Postles' boat and within minutes we had dolphins around us.

This was exciting enough but I needed at least one dolphin to breach and put the icing on the cake. Remembering that this was in the days of colour film rolls with just 36 images in each roll of film, even then my camera could fire 8-10 frames per second so a 4 second burst would see off a roll of film. I was on my third roll when I heard a splashing noise behind me, and swinging around I managed to photograph three dolphins, two just dropping head first into the water and the middle dolphin completely out of the water, this was the shot I needed if I was to have any chance of a good show in the national newspapers.

Well, it was a good show, the next day the dolphins were all over every newspaper, many on the front page. It seemed like the country had suddenly gone dolphin mad. The following day was bank holiday Monday and people arrived in droves all to see the dolphins. None were disappointed; the dolphins stayed around for a number of weeks putting a smile on everyone's face.

It was another 13 years until I once again had a close encounter with these very intelligent animals.

Inverness is a very long way to enjoy a dolphin encounter but at a place called Canonry Point dolphins are in abundance especially when the salmon are running and in the summer months.

It was at Canonry Point I photographed a dolphin salmon hunt and even captured a confused salmon leaping head-first down the dolphin's throat without touching the side. By the amount of newspapers those pictures made I could tell it hadn't been filmed or photographed before. When the dolphins had finished feeding they played around and gave some great displays of aerial acrobats. A beautiful animal to photograph without a doubt.



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Record-breaking event Guitars On The Beach will return to rock Lyme Regis this month with a guest appearance from Ray Dorset, frontman of the 1970s band Mungo Jerry.

The event is now in its fifth year and has been moved to the earlier date of Saturday, June 17th, when as many guitarists of all ages and abilities will be encouraged to strum along to form the world's biggest band.

Guitars on the Beach broke the record for Britain's biggest band back in 2014 when Deep Purple's Ian Gillan led a mass play-along of 'Smoke On The Water' but this year it is hoped the world record, currently held by Poland, will be smashed with Mungo Jerry's 1970 number one 'In The Summertime', led by Ray Dorset.

The event will kick off at 10.45am with Bittersweet Harmony from Poole and performances will continue throughout the day as the crowd builds up, with the line-up including Hot Java, The Blue Deal, The G-Men, Slinky Machine, ThreeZeroOneEight, Bosen Theory, Delta Tango 7, Jed Robertson, Marshall Stapleton, Grace Gillan and Jake Miller, Adam Sweet and more.

The Guitars On The Beach Sand Band will take to the stage at 4pm to lead a set of 15 songs which the crowd will be encouraged to join in with, including - 'Sweet Child of Mine', 'Hey Jude', and the original Guitars On The Beach soundtrack, 'Rave On', among others. The full list can be seen below.

The record attempt number 'In The Summertime' will be held at about 5pm and Ray will also be playing 'Lady Rose', 'I'll Be a Hippy till I Die' and 'Touch The Sky' in a bid to boost the event's fundraising effort for Music For All, which helps young people get started in music.

A prize draw will be held to raise funds for the charity on the day, with prizes including guitars and ukuleles and the star prize of a Fender Telecaster, signed by Albert Lee.



Musical entertainment will then continue into the evening, finishing with headline act Shoot The Moon, a seven-piece band from Bristol that has previously played at Glastonbury and Isle of Wight festivals, and has supported Madness, The Specials and The Skints.

Guitars On The Beach is being sponsored by Absolute Music from Bournemouth, one of the biggest music superstores on the south coast, which will be supplying the PA system and sound engineers. Blackstar Amplification will also be supplying the amps for the event.

Organisers would also like to thank the following sponsors - Lyme Bay Holidays, The Snack Shack from West Bay, C.G. Fry and Son, Axminster Garden Machinery, Musicians Insurance Services, Lyme Regis Sea Glass Jewellery, Axe Music and Sounds Live.

So get your guitars or ukulele dusted off and visit the website www.guitarsonthbeach.com to learn how to join in with the giant Sand Band and download the song sheets.

SAND BAND SET LIST - STARTING 4PM

- VIVA LA VIDA
- SWEET CHILD OF MINE
- LET IT BE
- MY SWEET LORD
- HEY JUDE
- RAVE ON
- ROCKIN' ALL OVER THE WORLD
- EVERY ROSE HAS ITS THORN
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*Award winning local ice cream maker
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There is an exciting new addition to The Cobb this summer with the opening of an ice cream kiosk by award-winning local ice cream makers Baboo Gelato.

'We're so happy to be opening in Lyme only a year after we opened our first kiosk in West Bay', says owner Annie Hanbury. 'We've always loved Lyme, but we weren't expecting quite such an enthusiastic reception. People have been extremely friendly, and they seem to love the ice cream. We keep running out of loyalty cards'.

It is probably no surprise that Baboo is proving so popular. Annie trained in Italy to become a professional gelatiere, and together with her fruit-growing husband, have created quite a sensation in their first year, winning the Taste of the West's coveted Champion Ice Cream & Sorbet in 2016, as well as Taste of Dorset's Best Dairy Producer; and a slew of other awards.

'We're passionate about flavour, and so we make all our ice creams and sorbets from scratch, using organic milk from a farm in Toller Porcorum', says Sam. 'We literally collect the milk every day in

milk churns, bring it back to the lab, and then use whatever seasonal ingredients we can get our hands on, to make our ice cream. Currently we're picking elderflowers every morning for an elderflower sorbet; and we're buying organic rhubarb from a small farm in Bridport'.

For those who want to enjoy Baboo's ice cream at home, they offer take away tubs. And for an interesting twist, their lemon sorbet makes a dangerously delicious cocktail mixed with vodka and prosecco.



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10th Birthday Big Mix

Saturday July 1st

Marine Theatre Lyme Regis

LYME Regis charity B Sharp will be celebrating its 10th birthday in style at the annual Big Mix Festival this July.

B Sharp was launched in 2007 to offer music-making opportunities for children and young people across East Devon and West Dorset and, having gone from strength to strength, the charity is now celebrating its 10th anniversary.

To mark this special occasion, B Sharp is blending its wild and exciting birthday party on Saturday, July 1st with a fabulous showcase of music, dancing, food and fun, set against the backdrop of the Jurassic Coast and staged in and around the iconic Marine Theatre.

B Sharp managing director Marcus Dixon said: "The Big Mix is live music-making with the

added twist that it evolves and morphs every year, but always run and delivered by young people working closely alongside a team of industry professionals. All of this makes for a unique music extravaganza with a reputation for staging some of the most exciting producers and music acts around topped with an amazing headline to help dance the night away.

"The Big Mix is a real, live, experiential learning opportunity for young people to gain a broad spectrum of skills and experience. It's a unique place and time for young people of all backgrounds to collaborate as planners, musicians, performers, producers, technicians, stage managers, a social enterprise providing hospitality and food to create an unforgettable, exhilarating and inspiring musical treat.

"This year's Big Mix is special as it's our birthday celebration with all of our participants, friends and colleagues who have been part of our incredible journey over the last decade."

The Party kicks off at the Marine Theatre at 6.30pm and runs till late. There will be food, refreshments and a bar. The dress code is 'celebration style'.

Tickets for the B Sharp party are £8.50 for adults, £5 for young people and those on low wages, and £21 for family tickets including two adults and two children, available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre in Church Street or call 01297 442138.



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Lyme Regatta & Carnival

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LYME REGIS will be going quackers for carnival once again as the town is invited to take part in the third annual Decorated Duck Competition.

The competition was launched during Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival Week in 2015 and has since taken the town by storm with shops and businesses fiercely competing to see their duck crowned Carnival Queen!

All local shops, businesses and organisations are being invited to take part in this year's competition, which will run through Regatta & Carnival Week, starting on Saturday, August 5th.

Plain yellow, wooden ducks will be delivered to all those wanting to take part in advance of carnival week and can be decorated in any way participants see fit – the more imaginative the better! Ducks should then be displayed in shop and business windows throughout the week for the public to vote for their favourites, with the winners to be announced on Friday, August 11th when all the ducks will be brought together for a display on Marine Parade.

The winner will be crowned Carnival Queen and will take pride of place in the Grand Carnival Procession on Saturday, August 12th, which will top off a week of family-friendly, seaside events.

Organisers are hoping this year's procession will be bigger and better than ever, with a number of marching and samba bands booked to get everyone in the carnival spirit. Local businesses, organisations and families are also being invited to take part.

A packed programme of events is being put together for the week, which will this year coincide with the Red Arrows display on Thursday, August 10th at 6.15pm, and the Regatta & Carnival Committee will be making the most of this bumper day by hosting a grand firework display in the evening.

Other major events during the week will include the popular Walk of Light torchlight procession on Sunday, August 6th and the moving Candles Down the River on Tuesday, August 8th.

New to this year's programme will be an opening procession at the beginning of the week on Saturday, August 5th, and the week will finish with the grand duck race on Sunday, August 13th.

For full details of events and updates, visit the website www.lymeregiscarnival.co.uk or www.facebook.com/LymeRegisCarnival



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For its third season, the now famous heritage open top bus hop on/hop off sightseeing tours will, for the first time, run for a full four month operating season, with services on most days from 27th May until 28th September, and with the route extended through Charmouth village to turn into Newlands Holiday Park.

Known as The Jurassic Mule route, the tour will take in the sights along the Jurassic Coast between Charmouth, Lyme Regis, Seaton and Beer.

The two hour round tours visit all points along the route and can be combined with a trip on the Seaton Tramway or a visit to Pecorama and the Beer Heights Light Railway.

During busy periods, buses run up to every 30 minutes from each stop and are a novel way of reaching the Seaton Tramway, while avoiding expensive and time restrictive car parking. Discounted online packages are available on the Tramway's website (www.tram.co.uk).

There is also a new peak season link from Axminster Railway Station, with connections from the Exeter and Yeovil directions, which offers a full day out on the route and the chance to explore Beer, Seaton, Lyme Regis and Charmouth.

The newly enhanced Jurassic Mule route will be running up to four heritage open top buses this summer,

all designed in the 1960s and 1970s, making the company the West Country's largest heritage hop on/hop off bus operator.

Mendip Mule is the South West's biggest 'turn up and ride' operator of the famous Bristol VR class of bus, of which thousands once operated the length and breadth of the country. Three of the beloved buses will be in operation this year alongside the famous TDL 564K, which is now England's only single deck open top bus in day-to-day service.

To travel, you can simply buy your modestly priced all day, unlimited travel hop on/hop off, ticket from the friendly driver of the first bus boarded, or for those who prefer to pay by card, travel vouchers are available from Jurassic Mule agents.

There are discounts for seniors and accompanied children as well as a super family fare, which allows children to travel all day for as little as around £2 each.

Senior citizens can get an even better discount by advance booking at one of the ticket agencies and shorter tours are offered to visit a single

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Buses can also be hired for private groups during the season.

Further details, along with full timetables, fares, and ticket agents, can be found on the website (www.mendipmulemotorbus.co.uk) and for all the latest news you can visit the Mendip Mule's Facebook page.



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THE Lyme Luggers ukulele group has taken the town by storm after forming in 2013, becoming a popular musical attraction at many events and helping to raise funds for local causes. Now the group is organising the town's first Ukulele Festival and is inviting everyone to strum away with them on Saturday, October 21st. The event will be held in the Woodmead Halls with 13 bands from the local region already scheduled to appear, including headline act The Mother Ukers.

Mother Ukers, followed by their headline set. The event will start at 11am and a programme of entertainment will continue until the early evening. Catering will be provided by Dottie Kitchen and bar will be open throughout the day. Compère for the day will be town crier Alan Vian. Tickets for ukulele players cost £5 and are £3 for spectators, available by emailing Paul on luggersukulele@btinternet.com

The Lyme Luggers have raised money for various charities and groups through their performances. Proceeds from the festival ticket sales will be put back into the Woodmead Halls, which is currently undertaking projects to improve its community facilities, and money raised from the sale of festival T-shirts will be donated to Lyme Regis Christmas Lights Committee.

For more information on the group and the festival, visit the website www.lymeluggersukulele.co.uk



Organiser Paul Burnage, a founding member of the Lyme Luggers, commented: "The idea came about listening to feedback from ukulele players who had gone to other festivals and wanted to take more of an active role rather than just the normal strum-a-longs, and I had always wanted to have a go at putting on a festival in Lyme as it had never been done before."

To make the festival as interactive as possible, ukulele players of all skills are invited to bring along their instruments and play along. The event will open with a mass strum-along session and a workshop will be held in the afternoon with The

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While food is at the heart of By the Bay's offering, many guests come to simply sit on the terrace and watch the world go by with a pot of tea, a steaming coffee or hot chocolate or a glass of their favourite tipple. The kids can play on the beach while Mum and Dad look on from the terrace or relax on the lovely squashy sofas inside.

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with roasted beetroot & watercress salad

Seared Lyme Bay Scallops (£4.00 supplement)
with artichoke puree & parma ham crisps

MAIN COURSES

Pan Fried Lamb Rump & Slow Braised Shoulder
Redcurrant jus, buttered kale & roast garlic mashed potato

Oven Baked Fillet of Sea Bream
Saffron cream sauce, balsamic green beans & crushed new potatoes

Roasted Guinea Fowl Supreme
Pan jus, baby vegetables & chorizo sauté potatoes

Roasted Heirloom Pumpkin & Sage Risotto
Toasted pumpkin seeds, rocket & parmesan salad

Pan Fried West Country Sirloin Steak
Peppercorn sauce, portobello mushrooms, vine tomatoes & hand cut chips (£6.00 supplement)

A selection of additional vegetables or chips is available on request

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with homemade shortbread

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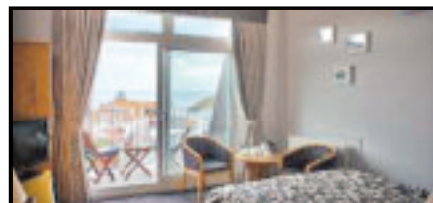
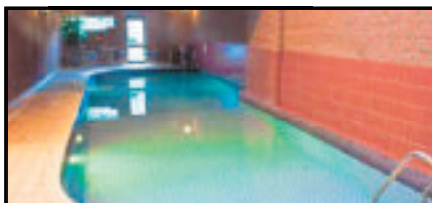
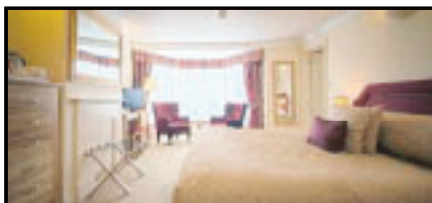
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The Pilot Boat Inn



The Pilot Boat Inn has got lot going on as usual, whether it be Comedy Club, Cocktail Club, Weekly Live Music and the list of activities goes on.

The Comedy Club goes from strength to strength and is growing more and more popular both with guests and performers wanting to be part of the fun. The next Comedy Club on June 10th will headline Henry Parker who you may recognise from Russell Howard's Good News? The night's opening act, Jake Lambert, will be support by Drew Taylor and Tom Taylor and of course the whole evening will be noted by the fantastic MC Tom Glover. We're also looking forward to

Cocktail Club on June 8th with mixologist Lloyd Brown hosting a Vermouth masterclass. For only £10 Lloyd will take us on a journey through the history of Vermouth based cocktails sampling along the way and we get to soak up some history as well as the cocktails.

There's plenty more entertainment at The Pilot Boat with Live Music every Friday, quiz nights, Mussels and Prosecco every Wednesday and more and all this is alongside a Taste of The West award winning menu with specials changing daily serving food all day, seven days a week from noon til 9.30



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Penny Black...



You'd be forgiven for thinking you'd stepped back in time as you cross the threshold into Penny Black, the popular vintage tearoom set just behind the Lyme Regis Post Office. A relaxing enclave, which will fill you with a joyous nostalgia, the cafe boasts all of the charm of a 50s diner, with rock and roll music gently burbling in the background, while the aesthetically pleasing images of the era's biggest stars adorn the walls. Marilyn Monroe and Audrey Hepburn gaze down, as you sup on your coffee and enjoy a slice of homemade cake, while relaxing within the quirky vintage quaintness.

The tranquil oasis was taken over by Sophie Bye in September 2016, a brave young businesswoman, who while bedecked in authentic period finery, has ensured Penny Black's continued success and maintained its place as one of the most beloved establishments in Lyme Regis.

The café is named after the world's first adhesive postage stamp used in a public postal system, which features a profile of Queen Victoria. They still remain highly sought after today and were recently voted as the world's favourite stamp by collectors.

Along with her partner, Sophie has cleverly coupled the imagery of the iconic stamp, with her love for the golden era of rock and roll and made a place where both local and visitors alike can enjoy a break from the hustle and bustle of contemporary living.

The American thick shakes are a real hit with regulars, with a fantastic

choice of flavours including peanut butter, Oreo and Nutella, coupled with a big helping of dairy ice cream, make a luxurious creamy treat.

Breakfasts, lunches and light bites are what the foodie haven is perhaps best known for, with everything freshly made to order using the finest local ingredients. You can choose from jacket potatoes, toasties, wraps and sandwiches with a wide range of fillings and also the option of gluten free bread. Why not try one of Sophie's homemade scones, with a warming hot chocolate or a cooling ice cream float within the calming courtyard garden, which offers an al fresco dining option?

Penny Black is open daily from 9am- 5pm so you can enjoy the rhythms of your favourite old time rockers at any time of day.



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The Volunteer Inn...



After a successful career in restaurants all over the country, working with some of the best chefs in the business, Stuart Doble has stepped up to take the position of head chef at the Volunteer Inn.

The hostelry is a firm favourite with locals and visitors alike and with their new recruit, they are striving to further develop their reputation as a place to enjoy proper food, cooked using beautifully fresh, local ingredients.

Stuart brings 15 years of kitchen experience and a wealth of knowledge to the pub and his varied career has resulted in the chef boasting a wide repertoire.

Everything is freshly prepared, homemade and the menu is continuously updated in a drive for excellence.

Why not feast on a fulsome pie of the day, including chicken, chorizo, leek and red onion or steak, ale and blue cheese?

Perhaps you'd prefer to sample the catch of the day, or one of Stuart's signature dishes; scallops with butternut squash puree, sautéed chorizo and chive butter.

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Black Dog Tea Room...

Rod and Sonia have been running The Black Dog Tea Room in Uplyme, near Lyme Regis, for four years and customers come back time and again for their home made food and loose leaf tea. With need for more space they have built a summerhouse in the garden as an extension to the tea room with the idea that it can be hired out for meetings or private lunches, it looks out over the landscaped garden and has a lovely view of the Lym valley.

Continuing on with the success of loose leaf tea they have created their own tea range starting with three teas, Black Dog Tea Room Blend which is a blend of the finest Assam and Ceylon teas, it has a rich smooth flavour the perfect morning cup of tea. The second tea is Gen Mai Cha, a Japanese green tea that has lots of health benefits, it is full of antioxi-

dants and nutrients it is blended with brown rice and popcorn giving the tea a lovely nutty flavour. The third tea is Smokey Russian Caravan, a lovely blend of Chinese and Formosa tea with Darjeeling and Lapsang it has a refreshing smokey flavour.

Black Dog Tea Room are dog friendly so a walk up the river Lym with your furry friend can end up with a lovely cup of tea and a slice of cake. Nearly everything is made on the premises bread, rolls, cakes and scones, they use locally sourced produce, the bacon for the Somerset Brie and bacon rolls comes from Colyton butchers. The eggs used in the roasted pepper, mushroom and cherry tomato quiche are free range and come from up the road. They cater for gluten free diets and offer a range of gluten free cakes and soya milk is always in stock.

Black Dog Tea Room is on the Lyme Road heading towards Lyme Regis and is open every day except Wednesdays when they can be found walking their two dogs Martha and Jorge along the east beach towards Charmouth, Martha chasing the seagulls and Jorge meeting new friends to play with and Rod and Sonia enjoying the walk and sea air.



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Lyme Bay Pizza...

Hello from everyone at Lyme Bay Pizza this summer.

We are a small restaurant situated on the Cobb in Lyme Regis, boasting incredible, uninterrupted views of the bay from our rooftop terrace, which is in front of the beach.

We have also launched our summer menu which not only has unique and tasty pizzas but also a wider selection of nibbles and sharing dishes, so no matter what you're after we will have something to offer. We have a fully licensed bar stocked with a variety of ciders, lagers, wines, spirits and Lyme Regis Brewery ales. Also look out for our cocktails which will be perfect for those warm summer days.

Our main focus is on the pizzas though and we use sourdough for the base, fresh tomato sauce and diced mozzarella. We top them with premium ingredients from pulled pork and wild mushrooms to fresh crab and

prawns. These are all then stone baked and finished with a variety of fresh ingredients to boost the flavour. To see our full range of pizzas and the rest of the menu check out our website www.lymebaypizza.co.uk. We have also made gluten free bases and have a range of dishes to suit all dietary requirements.

There is a call and collect service available for those who want to enjoy their meal on the beach.

If you're looking for a venue for a private function we have a variety of options from buffets to sit down meals. Come in and talk to one of our members of staff for more details.

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Greens Restaurant...



Greens is the fantastic restaurant at Lyme Regis Golf Club under the leadership of head chef Stephen Pielesz. The golf club is situated on Timber Hill in Lyme Regis and the restaurant is open to the general public all year round; you do not need to be a member or even a golfer to experience the exquisite cuisine that is on offer.

Those in search of great quality food at affordable prices need look no further! Why not start the day off right and join the breakfast club? Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 9:30-11:30am diners can enjoy a small breakfast and a cup of tea or coffee for just £5!

Sunday's mean only one thing... Carvery! Greens Restaurant has established a fabulous reputation for one of the best carveries in the area. With a choice of three succulent local meats and all the trimmings at just £10 per person, the carvery represents excellent value for money. It's served every Sunday from 12:30-3pm and booking is essential.

The restaurant is also open for evening meals Monday – Saturday. The full a-la-carte menu is available along with daily specials. As with the carvery, booking is highly recommended to avoid disappointment.

The first class catering at Greens Restaurant, coupled with the outstanding views across the bay from the course, make it the ideal location and the perfect place to hold your private event, party, function, or wedding. The professional approach, attention to detail and friendly staff will ensure that your private function or party will be one to remember. All budgets can be catered for and bespoke packages arranged. Wedding menus will be tailor made by Steve who will work closely with you to produce a menu that you love and that fits to your budget.

The dining room and lounge areas all overlook the golf course and there is easy access to the south-facing patio area throughout the year, which gives members and visitors alike the opportunity to enjoy al-fresco dining in the open air during the warmer months.

To make a booking please call the club on 01297 442963, and select option 4.



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Evening Meals

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